The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 2068. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1888. SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND 4,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
CHAIRMAN—Hon. JOHN BELL-IRVING.
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN—W. H. FORBES, Esq.

C. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.	S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.
W. G. BRODIE, Esq.	J. S. MOSES, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.	L. POESNECKER, Esq.
J. F. HOLLIDAY, Esq.	N. A. SIEBS, Esq.
B. LAYTON, Esq.	E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
HONGKONG—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
SHANGHAI—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1888. [8

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN $1, or MORE THAN $250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having $100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3½ % per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1887. [9

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL 500,000.

Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such claims, purchased on advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH.
10]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th August, 1888. [97

Intimations.

ROBERT LANG & CO.,

TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENERAL OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.

TALL SILK HATS.
" Drab Felt Hats.
Black, Brown Drab and Grey Hard Felt Hats.
Terai and other Soft Felts.
Tweed Hats and Caps in New Shapes.
Straw Hats and Pith Hats.
Silk Umbrellas from $5 each, over 100 to choose from.
A large assortment of Walking Sticks.
Waterproof Coats, Leggings & Chair Aprons.
Travelling Rugs and Scotch Mauds.
Over Coatings, Light & Heavy, Ulster Tweeds.
Fine Black Diagonal & Cork-screw for Dress Suits.
Black, Blue and Brown Fancy and Diagonal Coatings.
Fancy & Check Tweed Suitings.
Trouserings in great variety of Stripes, Checks and Plain.
Cricketing Flannel, Stripes, Checks and Plain.
White and Fancy Vestings.
French Printed Shirtings.
Unshrinkable Flannel.
Ready Made Ulsters in Stock.
Solid Leather Portmanteaus.
Overland Trunks, Gladstone Bags, and a variety of Travelling Cases, all sizes.
Winter, Medium and Summer Under Vests and Pants.
Silk Half-Hose, Black, Navy and Colors.
Lamb's Wool Merino and Lisle Thread Half-Hose.
White Dress Shirts.
Lacing & Elastic-side Walking Boots and Shoes.
Shooting Boots, Rubber Boots.
Patent Leather Boots & Shoes.
Dancing Pumps, all sizes.
Large Stock of Scarfs, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Braces, &c.

ROBT. LANG & CO.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1888. [91

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

ARE NOW SHOWING THEIR FIRST BATCH OF

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S CARDS

THE LEADING NOVELTIES OF WHICH CONSIST OF

(a.)—A Series of Beautifully painted panel Cards specially painted for us in Water Colours by CHINESE ARTISTS, depicting Chinese Social Life with suitable greetings in English and Chinese.
(b.)—CHISAI KAKEMONOS: A pair of Miniature Kakemonos, specially produced for us in Japan, enclosed in a characteristic native Card-board box with the season's greetings in English and Chinese.
(c.)—A New Series of Grouped PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS of HONGKONG in Miniature, Mounted and Unmounted.
(d.)—A large collection of the newest and most ARTISTIC DESIGNS IN ENGLISH MANUFACTURE, representing the very best productions of the best makers.
(e.)—Our Stock of PRANG'S HIGH CLASS AMERICAN CARDS will arrive in about a fortnight, fully three weeks in advance of the latest Mail date required to reach home for Christmas.

NOTE:—The English Mail of November 22nd is due in London on Christmas Eve.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1888. [7

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

ARE NOW SHOWING THEIR NEW STOCKS OF

FENDERS.
FIRE IRONS.
FIRE DOGS.
DRAWING ROOM ASH PANS.
COAL VASES.
FIRE SCREENS.
NURSERY GUARDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1075

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

1888 AUTUMN AND WINTER SEASONS 1888.

New Goods in all Departments.

LATEST NOVELTIES.

EX ENGLISH, FRENCH, AND GERMAN MAILS.

NOW OPENING OUT.

NEW AUTUMN and WINTER DRESS GOODS, SILKS, SATINS, PLUSHES, JERSEYS, SILK, CASHMERE, and LISLE THREAD HOSIERY, SUNSHADES, UMBRELLAS, TOWELS, BLANKETS, FLANNELS, QUILTS, LONG CLOTHS, TABLE LINENS, JAPANESE EMBROIDERY GOODS, SCREENS, TEA and COFFEE SETS, ELECTRO PLATED WARE, TRAVELLING TRUNKS, STATIONERY, &c., &c.

JUST LANDED.

A splendid variety of SUITINGS and TROUSERINGS, the Largest, Choicest and most Fashionable Stock ever imported into Hongkong.

SADDLERY DEPARTMENT.

PIGSKIN SADDLES (4 to 8lbs.), BRIDLES and BITS, SADDLE CLOTHS, SUITS of CLOTHING, WHIPS, CURRY COMBS, BRUSHES and all STABLE requisites.

NOTICE TO RIFLE AND ROWING CLUBS.

An Immense stock of HANDSOME TROPHIES, Suitable for the above, Now on view at exceptionally LOW PRICES.

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OP. CO., LD.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [919

W. BREWER'S

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.

1.—The very beautiful Series of Hand Painted Silk Pictures mounted on gilt edge bevelled Cards with designs of Junks, *Jinrickshas*, Sampans *Grotesque Kites*, Eastern Fruits and Flowers and Illustrations of Habits and Customs of the people among which we live, with appropriate Christmas and New Years Mottoes.
2.—An entirely New Series of beautifully designed Autograph Cards in variety of shapes, such as Tennis Bats, Old Shoes, Oyster Shells, Yachts, all to open and display most artistic work.
3.—Prang's very handsome American Cards in boxes.
4.—Most beautiful Etched and Monotint Cards in boxes of one dozen, very cheap and Artistic.
5.—Cheap Cards for children 5 cents each a great variety.
And the very popular Pidgin English Sing Song Cards in the old and new forms.
Altogether forming the best Collection of Cards ever shewn in the East and the prices extremely reasonable.

LETTS' DIARIES, NORTH CHINA DATE BLOCKS.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1888. [100

Masonic.

ST. JOHN LODGE
OF HONGKONG,
No. 618, S.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [1086

Auctions.

SECOND AUCTION
OF
DISCARDED GOODS
FROM
ROSE & CO.'S STOCK.

THE HALL & HOLTZ C. CO., LIMITED,
WILL SELL BY
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
MONDAY NEXT,
October 29th, 1888, at 2 P.M., at their Auction Rooms, Queen's Road,
DISCARDED GOODS
AND
SUNDRIES.

On view, morning of Sale.

TERMS AS USUAL—Cash on delivery.

THE HALL & HOLTZ C. CO., LD.,
Auctioneers, &c.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1076

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H.M. Naval Store-keeper to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,
the 31st October, 1888, at NOON, at H.M. Naval Yard,
SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING CONDEMNED STORES,
comprising:—
OLD IRON, PAPER STAFF, HOSES, CLOCKS, LAMPS, PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, EMPTY PACKING CASES, and IMPLEMENTS.
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Gov. Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1080

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PATHAN,"
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE:

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 29th October, will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 29th inst., or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [1046

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship
"SEPTIMA,"
Captain Hansen, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Freight, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1074

UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"SPINDRIFT,"
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at NOON.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1078

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship
"PEMBROKESHIRE,"
D. Williams, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1888. [1068

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.
(PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"ANCONA"
will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 28th October, at DAYLIGHT.
E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [3

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship
"NINGCHOW,"
W. C. Durdin, Commander, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at NOON.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [1032

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"RAVENNA"
will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English Mails.
E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [3

STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"DECCAN"
will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 2nd November, at NOON.
E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [1081

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship
"DEEPDALE,"
Captain Sharp, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1082

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship
"GREAT ADMIRAL,"
J. F. Rowe, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 18th September, 1888 [924

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship
"LEADING WIND,"
Hinckley, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1888. [1054

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. Norwegian Bark
"ISABEL,"
Howe, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1033

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship
"RAPHAEL,"
Harkness, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1034

FOR NEW YORK.

THE British Bark
"CARRIER DOVE,"
Durkee, Master, having only a limited space left, will have quick despatch for the above Port.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents for Charterers.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1072

Mails.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "SURAT," Captain R. Speck, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th November, at NOON.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; but Tea and General Cargo at Bombay, arriving one week later than by the direct route via Colombo.
For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.
The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.
E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [5

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 29th day of October, 1888, at NOON, the Company's Steamship NECKAR," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 27th October, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENT'S Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [4

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE;
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship
"GAELIC"
will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th November, at THREE P.M.
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.
All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco.....$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months..... 350.00
To Liverpool..... 325.00
To London..... 330.00
To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.
C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1888. 72

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING
RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship
"BATAVIA,"
2,553 Tons Register, Auld, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., *viâ* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 15th November, at THREE P.M.
To be followed by the S.S. "PARTHIA," on 13th December, and S.S. "ABYSSINIA" on 10th January.
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with San Francisco by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To Vancouver and Victoria...(Mex.)$160.00
To San Francisco..... 175.00
To all Common Points in Canada and the United States..... 230.00
To Liverpool..... 300.00
To London..... 305.00
To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese and Japanese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.
Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 14th November.
All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full, and the same will be received by us until 3 P.M. the day previous to sailing.
For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [6

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

OUR NEW SEASON'S

FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS

ARE NOW READY.

Flower Parcels of 50 Packets, price, $10 00
" " of 20 " " 5.00
Vegetable " of 45 " " 7.53

Single Packets at list prices.

SPECIAL FLORIST'S SEEDS.

In Packets of six or more named varieties, viz :—

CLOVE PINKS—PANSIES—PHLOX—HOLLYHOCKS—PORTULACA, VERBENA and PETUNIA.

MIGNONETTE MACHEL (The New Variety).

Priced Catalogue on application.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Hongkong, 31st August, 1888. fc

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, *Hongkong Telegraph*" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication: but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than Three o'Clock so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

The Hongkong Telegraph has the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East, and is therefore the best medium for Advertisers. Terms can be learnt on application.

The Hongkong Telegraph's number at the Telephone Central Exchange is No. 1.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers to *The Hongkong Telegraph* are respectfully reminded that all *Subscriptions are payable in advance.*

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

THE PARNELL COMMISSION.

LONDON, October 25th.

The Commission has resumed its sittings. The Attorney General (Sir Richard E. Webster) produced Mr. Parnell's letters and promised to give the names of the persons who supplied them.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Leander*, Captain M. J. Dunlop, arrived this afternoon from Nagasaki.

WE would remind our readers of the concert announced to take place this evening at the Theatre Royal, City Hall.

SEVERE dysentery, according to a Japanese native paper, is prevalent in Kobe and the vicinity at present. Medical men attribute the malady to people gorging themselves with unripe fruit and putrified mushrooms.

RUSSIAN capital will attempt growing cotton on some of the more fertile accessions of land in Asia, so as to be as far as possible independent of foreign countries. Russia believes in caring for her own people against the world.

AN old Chinese thief who was banished early this month had the temerity to come fifty yards over the boundary-line at Kowloon yesterday, and was promptly run in for "returning after deportation." And he got six months for it, too.

THE agents (Messrs. Melchers & Co.) inform us that the Norddeutscher Lloyd steamship *Sachsen*, with the German mails, dated Berlin, Oct. and, left Singapore for this port at 11 a.m. to-day, and may be expected on or about the 1st November.

A BIG haul of opium was made by the Excise this morning, thanks to an informer. A Swatow man brought over 130lb weight of the drug, in three large baskets, just concealed by isinglass and ground-nuts, by the steamship *Douglas*. In a weak moment he told a companion on board, who on landing informed the active and intelligent Ali Bux, P.C. He dropped on the smuggler as he was walking alongside three coolies, who were carrying the baskets. A woman was with the party, but she asked to be allowed to go and get a key, and the gallant Sikh agreeing, she made herself less adjacent. The prisoner was remanded, bail being fixed at $2,000.

CAPTAIN ANDREWS, the adventurous navigator who left Boston, U.S., on June 8, intending to cross the Atlantic in a small boat called the *Dark Secret*, has failed in his project, and is luckily yet alive. The Fates appear to have been on the track of the tiny craft from the commencement, for no sooner had she got fairly into blue water than every little appliance which had been taken on board to mitigate the inevitable discomforts of such an expedition was either lost or failed to act, and by the time he was fallen in with by the Norwegian barque *Nor*, Captain Andrews was not sorry to abandon his foolish attempt. For a month he had slept very little, his hair and beard were long and matted, he was scarcely able to move from weakness, his provisions and clothes were soaked with salt water, and (according to a Norwegian sailor) he had been terrified by the sea serpent. The *Nor* landed the foolhardy voyager at New York.

THE two postmen who were charged with stealing a bill of exchange for $400 out of a letter were to-day committed for trial.

TO-MORROW morning between 9 and 10.30 o'clock the steam-launch carrying the Bethel flag will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pennant. C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12.30.

FAIR visitor (to convict)—I suppose, sir, that the singing of the birds relieves the monotony of your dreary life? Convict (profoundly nonplussed)—The singing of the birds, miss? Fair visitor—Yes, sir, the little jail birds, you know. They must be such a boon.

WE have received from the Spanish Procuration a collection of Statistics bearing on the general status of the monks and nuns of the Dominican Order in the Philippine Islands Tonquin, China, Formosa and Spain during 1887, and purpose dealing at an early date with the important social phenomenon presented by the spread of monastic orders in this advanced age of ours.

BY kind permission of Colonel D. G. Anderson, the Regimental Band will play in the Public Gardens, to-morrow (Sunday), from 3.30 till 5 p.m. The following will be the programme :—

March "Free" Newton.
Overture "Iphigenie en aulide" Gluck.
Selection "German Volkslied" Ochs.
Valse "Star and Garter" Strauss.
Selection "Rem. of Mendelssohn" Godfrey.
Valse "Brautlieder" Gung'l.

JOHN MORAN, Bandmaster.

The humour of the third piece—Selection "German Volkslied" consists in the rendering of the variations, on one of the simplest old German airs, in such a manner that the style for which each great composer is celebrated is reproduced in a quaint parody within the limits of a few bars. A short description of the leading idea may be acceptable :—

Thema.—Old Song. "Kommt a Vogel geflogen."—Variations in the style of—

1. J. S. Bach—Varying the simple air with learned counterpoint, closing it like an Organ Fugue.
2. J. Hagan—A String Quartet.
3. Mozart—A Clarinet Solo.
4. John Strauss—A Valse.
5. Verdi—An "Aria di Bravura," in the operatic style, with the oft repeated finale of Italian dramatic music.
6. Gounod—"Parody on the Garden Scene in "Faust."
7. R. Wagner—Parody on two motives from "Lohengrin" and "Tannhäuser."
8. Beethoven—A Violin Sonata (for three instruments.)
9. Mendelssohn—Imitation of the Notturno in "Midsummer Night's Dream."
10. Brahms—Parody on "Hungarian Dances."
11. Meyerbeer—Here the air is treated in the grand heroic style. After an introduction by the Drums, the grand scene, "The Blessing of the Daggers" in "The Huguenots" is parodied.
12. A La Militaire.

THE annual general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Football Club was held last evening in the Victoria Recreation Club. There was a numerous attendance, Major Tripp, the President, occupied the chair. The accounts having been passed, Mr. Stewart-Lockhart moved, and Lieut. Metcalfe seconded, that Mr. E. M. Blair, R.E., and Dr. Atkinson be elected to the committee, in place of Lieut. Edwards, R.E., and Dr. H. N. Thompson, A.M.S., absent. Mr. Wallace was re-elected hon. secretary, and Mr. Gray, hon. treasurer.—The Chairman then said that the accounts attached showed a balance of $31.58 to the credit of the Club on September 30th last. Ten matches had been played during the past season, five under Rugby Union rules and five under Association. In Club matches four were lost under Rugby Union rules and one drawn, and under Association rules two were lost, one won and one drawn. The ground at the Race-course, although he had been informed by the Surveyor-General that it would be fit to play on in November, was still in a very bad state, and he was almost certain that they would not be able to indulge in any football on it till the new year. This being the case, he had tried to find a ground on which the Club could play in the interval, and the only place at all suitable was that used by the Polo Club. Even this, however, was only fit for the Association game. He had been privately informed that there would be no difficulty about their getting this ground, but the Secretary would write officially for permission to play on it. Twelve new members having been elected, bringing the number of members of the Club up to ninety-four, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

WE frequently receive complaints of the incivility shown to the public by the junior clerks and other subordinate officers in the various departments of the Government service. A member of the community has business to transact at a Government office, and it very often happens, if he is not a person of some note, that he is kept waiting outside and subjected to rudeness, impertinence, or incivility from some impudent young whipper-snapper who is oblivious of his true position. The worst offenders in this respect are Chinese, and singularly enough their rudeness is chiefly directed at their own countrymen. A case was brought under our notice the other day, which is a very fair example of what is of daily occurrence. Mr. Tam King of the Cum Cheong Tye firm, an ex-President of the Tung Wa Hospital and one of the most prominent and most respected of our Chinese residents, had certain business to transact at the Harbour Office in connection with becoming bondsman for some junk owner. He politely stated his business to a Chinese clerk, and was somewhat taken aback when that jack-in-office peremptorily ordered him to get outside and wait there until he was sent for. Mr. Tam King says that had he been an obstreperous chair coolie he could not have been treated with more offensive rudeness, and he very naturally feels indignant. We don't know who or what the Chinese clerk is, but probably the Harbour Master, when he reads this paragraph, will see fit to make due inquiry. Government employés must be made to thoroughly understand that they are public servants, and not, as so many of them appear to imagine, the masters of the public. It is to be hoped this kindly meant word of warning will have the desired effect; should it not, we shall be glad if all persons treated rudely or disrespectfully by Government servants will send us full particulars, so that we may be able to take further action in putting down what has become a very offensive nuisance.

FANCY a milliner's husband in debt for his clothes! Mr. F. W. Isaacson, M.P., has been sued in the City of London Court for the price of a pair of unmentionables. "What!" exclaimed the learned judge, "a member of Parliament and won't pay for his trousers! Judgment for the plaintiff." We should think so indeed! Members of Parliament, of all men in the world, should be particular about protecting their seats.

THE last number of the Macao *Government Gazette* contains a decree issued by the Lisbon Colonial Office forbidding the Government servants from engaging in commercial pursuits. Taking into consideration the tradeless state of the Holy City and its utter degradation which has been brought about by its lethargic Government and its infatuated clergy, this new decree debarring the civil functionaries and military men from engaging in trade is extremely ludicrous. We are, moreover, informed that as a certain amount of petty trade is freely indulged in by some of the officers of the 'hungry army' the Lisbon Government has thought fit to put a damper on their commercial proclivities.

WHAT shall a man get in exchange for stealing his wife's silk dress? The sage replies that probably he shall receive a drastic and back-breaking hiding if his better half was built in the Xantippe mould. But Justice Kavanagh, who the other day had to award Michael M'Cahey puhishment for running away with his wife's clothes, thought that nothing under imprisonment would meet the case, and the learned gentleman stigmatised the defaulting husband as "the meanest prisoner he had ever had before him." Michael only believed in the theory of common property between a man and his wife, and it was only the second or third time he had pawned his wife's garments to get a drink. The worthy fellow, however, has unintentionally thrown a guiding light on the path of the common or garden husband when the state of the money market is tight. Hitherto the drawing-room clock has found its way to "uncle's," and a few flat-irons, or little trifles of that description. M'Cahey has shown that at a pinch Sunday's dinner may be discovered in the wardrobe of the mistress of the house where dresses in untold numbers lurk.

ONE of the latest projects set on foot at the Legislative Council relates to the introduction of the nuns belonging to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, commonly known as Sisters of Charity, into the Government Civil Hospital. The project originated with the Government, and was readily supported at the Council table, the chief reason advanced in its favour being the desirability of employing these religious women whose reputation as nurses, as hospital and ambulance attendants is world-known. The good services they have rendered to the Shanghai Hospital as well as the easy working of that institution under their management were alluded to as good precedents; a hint occasionally thrown in by a member of the Council as to religious differences was disposed of as a very futile objection, and the introduction of the Sisters was finally agreed upon as a foregone conclusion. As staunch admirers of philanthropy and charity in all shapes and forms, we fully acknowledge the heroism and self-denial which characterise the nuns or sisters of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Their reputation is undeniably great. In the sick-room of the invalid, in the hospital, and the battle-field they have invariably distinguished themselves and won imperishable laurels. Following the well-known device "Omnia vincit amor," these devotees of a religious Order have made love of humanity their chief business in life, and it cannot be doubted, that whatever their religious principles may be, their career has been a success. When we come, moreover, to the question of introducing them as nurses or femalewardens in our Government Hospital, we are entirely at variance with the promoters of the project. And our reasons are plain. We are of opinion that two elements should never be introduced into any department of the Government Service—individuals or corporations belonging to foreign nationalities, and active, proselytising representatives of alien religions. The wholesale introduction of the former elements reflects no credit on our own resources. If wardens and nurses can be found in more than sufficient numbers at home to satisfy all hospital requirements, surely there cannot be any difficulty or impossibility in obtaining them for Hongkong. This morbid hankering after foreigners deserves being put down instead of being encouraged. Great Britain is a self-sufficient nation; its redundant population finds an ample field for labour and enterprise in the colonies. Instead of giving our own men and women who are inured to hospital work a chance of earning a livelihood and perchance distinguishing themselves in this colony, we are about to give our preference to foreigners, perhaps for no other reason than that of cheap labour. This is decidedly a move in the wrong direction. The next objection we entertain is on the score of religion. We think our Government hospitals should be as undenominational as our schools are. Religion has *nothing to do with the cure of diseases.* Were *we to* introduce any religion at all into our hospitals, we should certainly give the preference to our own forms of worship, instead of patronising the sectaries and votaries of a creed which is entirely antagonistic to ours.

Edison's mother calls his electric light her son's shine.

"Take Cap'n Smiff's fam'ly, ("instance," he said. "Now, there's a nautical fam'ly if there ever was one. The Cap'n's a tar and his wife's a Tartar. Even their little children are tarable."

"What do these girls remind you of?" asked Popinjay, as he and Blobson were watching some young lady skaters in a Boston rink. "Bean poles," ventured Blobson, doubtfully. "No, rolling-pins."

Cleaning-up Notice.—In Fredonia, New York, the Health Board, in order to stir the people to action with regard to cleaning up, have posted the following notice:—"The cholera is coming! By order of the committee."

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

The seventh ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at noon to-day. Mr. J. Bell-Irving presided, and Messrs. L. H. Dalrymple, B. Layton, P. Ryrie, E. A. Solomon, A. McClymont, W. Wotton, G. C. Anderson, Capt. Talbot, N. J. Ede, B. Byramjee, R. H. Burder, Ho Tung, Ho Kum Tung, Ng Lau Tung, Kwang Hop, &c. and Mr. W. A. Cruickshank (Secretary) were present.

The Chairman said:—The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some time, you will no doubt allow them as usual to be taken as read. The report is the most satisfactory we have been able to present to you since the reconstitution of the office and this is all the more gratifying that the year 1887 has not been a favourable one for underwriters generally. The profit on this year's working is $296,677 as against $177,772 for 1886, and from this amount, a dividend of 10 per cent. to shareholders and a bonus of 20 per cent. to contributors of business, have already absorbed $202,677. We now propose to pass to the credit of our reserve Fund $74,000, the largest sum the Articles of Association will permit of, and pay an additional dividend to shareholders of $2 per share. The strengthening of our reserve, we have always regarded as of the greatest importance and, notwithstanding the interested and misleading statements to the contrary, which have recently appeared in some of the Home papers, I think this matter has received reasonable attention from us, as well as from the other leading China companies. We have increased the dividend to shareholders this year, instead of paying a further bonus to contributors, and this I trust will evoke more active support and tend to the continued prosperity of the office. The estimate of working during 1888 to 30th September shows an improvement on that for the same period of 1887, of $58.000, a very satisfactory position, and if our losses during the approaching winter are not unusually heavy, we may fairly anticipate that our next report will be even more favourable than this one. If we compare the losses during the same periods, we find that those of this year exceed those of last by about $93,000, but against this, may be pleced the fact that we have collected more premia to the extent of $157,000, and have obtained this lagge accession of business without any increase in expenses or any departure from our conservative policy. Since the report was printed, we have learned of the disastrous effects of the typhoon of 28th September, and it will be gratifying to you to know that the interest of the office on the *Kildare* was confined to a small line on Hull, and that the *Ghazee*, by which a full line was carried, turned out her cargo in good order Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be glad to answer any questions that any gentlemen present may wish to put to me.

The report was then adopted, and the Hon. B. Layton and Mr. E. A. Solomon confirmed as members of the Consulting Committee. Messrs. Ryrie, Dalrymple and Bottomley were re-elected to the Committee, and Messrs. G. S. Coxon and F. Henderson appointed auditors.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

THE ESTIMATES.

The adjourned meeting of the Finance Committee was held this afternoon. The Colonial Secretary presided, and the members present were—Messrs. J. Russell (Acting Chief Justice) I. Price (Surveyor-General) H. E. Wodehouse (Acting Colonial Treasurer) E. L. O. Malley, (Attorney-General) Captain Deane, J. Bell-Irving, B. Layton, and Wong Shing.

AN EXPLANATION.

Mr. Bell-Irving explained that in speaking of the forts at the last meeting he had not intended to reflect on their construction; he only meant that they were decaying from old age, but he had since been assured by a military authority that they were in excellent condition.

THE TYTAM WATERWORKS.

With reference to the statement of accounts in respect to these works asked for by Mr. Layton, The Surveyor-General put in a statement of the totals, which showed that the cost had been as follows:—Reservoir and byewash, £84,565; Tunnel, £46,158; conduit and tank, £39 272. He added that notwithstanding the fact that an additional $80,000 over the estimated cost was required, the undertaking had been much cheaper than similar works in England. He read a comparative statement of the cost of reservoir construction in various towns there, showing that it ranged from £4 to £8 per thousand gallons per day, whereas the Tytam works had only cost 28 shillings, reckoning the dollar at three shillings.

The Colonial Secretary read a letter from Sir Robert Lawrence with reference to the Waterworks, in which, commenting upon the statement of cost read by the Surveyor-General, he said that the cost had been very low, the average in England being £120,000 for every million gallons supplied per day, at which rate the Tytam works would have cost £100,000, instead of £170,000. Besides that, the Tytam reservoir was better, the dam being of masonry instead of earth, thus being more permanent. He thought the cost extremely moderate.

Mr. Layton explained that he did not complain of the cost, but simply thought it should be known, as should that of all public works.

THE SALE OF CROWN LANDS.

In accordance with a request from Mr. Ryrie, The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a statement showing that from 1877 to October 1888 the premia on the sales of Crown Lands in the colony amounted to $425,788.

THE FIRE BRIGADE.

The Colonial Secretary raised the question of how the increased water-supply next month would affect the provision for the extinction of fire. As far as he understood, it was desirable that the Brigade should be strengthened, but it was suggested that it would be better to wait until the effect of the new water supply was seen. The superintendent of the Fire Brigade had expressed the opinion that it would be of very little service, and the question was whether there would be any additional advantage.

The Surveyor General:—There will be the advantage of having full mains always instead of a partial pressure.

Mr. Ryrie said that the advisability of having separate fire mains had been several times discussed.

The Surveyor General said that the new mains would be costly, but after they were laid the question of laying mains for fire extinction could be considered. He thought them desirable above the level of Hollywood-road; below that they could use sea-water.

Mr. Wodehouse said that at present all above Hollywood road was entirely unprotected; there was no provision of any kind for fire extinction. With regard to the Tytam supply he would like to know if the distribution would be similar to that at present—would it be added to the Pokfulum distribution or would there be a separate system?

The Surveyor-General replied that it would be the same, except that the mains would be larger.

Mr. Wodehouse said that in that case it would be of very little use to the Fire Brigade, as at present there were many streets in which there were no mains. The difficulty at present was in not knowing, when a fire was reported, whether there were mains in the vicinity or not.

The Surveyor-General thought the difficulty was to know whether the water was turned on in that district or not, as the rule was to give each district a turn in the 24 hours. When the new supply was turned on there would be a continuous supply. In the streets where no mains at present existed they would be laid. But it would be impossible to do away with any of the fire-engines on that account.

Mr. Bell-Irving mentioned that the disbandonment of the Volunteer Fire Brigade was under consideration, and if that was decided on the Government Brigade would have to be considerably increased.

In answer to the Colonial Secretary, the Surveyor-General said there would be a great central main laid down in Queen's Road, under the new design, and from that the branch streets would be supplied. Mr. Wodehouse asked for an expression of opinion by the Committee as to the advisability of having a separate system of mains for fires.

The Surveyor-General said that besides the $60.000 required for the new mains this year, and $60,000 next, he did not think there would be any further cost. The fire mains would cost about the same. He could not estimate them, however, on the spot.

Mr. Wodehouse repeated that he did not attach much importance to the new supply.

The Acting Chief Justice:—But surely it must be an advantage to have the mains always full, so that a fire can be attacked at once, without waiting for the engines. A bucket of water would often be sufficient at the beginning.

Mr. Wodehouse admitted that it would be some advantage, but not enough to justify any radical charge. If the upper part of the town was laid with separate mains he thought they could control fires in the lower levels by seawater.

The Surveyor-General, in reply to the Colonial Secretary, said that the Tytam service would be available as high as the Albany Tank.

The Colonial Secretary thought it would be better to wait and see what was needed before dealing with the matter of separate mains.

The Surveyor-General added that the water would be turned on the 2nd or 3rd November.

THE CROWN AGENTS.

In discussing the "Miscellaneous" part of the Estimates

Mr. Bell-Irving suggested that it would be an advantage to change the Crown Agents, or do away with them.

Mr. Ryrie said that had been considered many times, and the matter brought before the Secretary of State.

The Colonial Secretary did not recollect whether anything came of it.

Mr. Bell-Irving thought a list of the things at present obtained through the Crown Agents should be got, and tenders asked for.

The Colonial Secretary thought the Governor would give the matter his attention, and after some discussion the matter dropped.

GOVERNMENT SERVANTS' PAY.

With reference to the item of "loss on exchange",

Mr. Ryrie complained that the lower officials were restricted from remitting money home at 4s. 2d. to the dollar, except to members of their families dependent on them. He pointed out that in Singapore the Government employés had had 25 per cent. put on their salaries in compensation for the reduction in the value of the dollar.

Mr. Layton suggested that the salaries should be put on a currency basis instead of sterling.

The matter was under discussion when our report left.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB *v.* 58TH REGIMENT.

This match was commenced on the Cricket Ground yesterday. The Club played first and put on 205 runs for 9 wickets when time was called.

The Regiment's turn came soon after play began to-day, but after a slow game they finished 135 to the bad. In their second innings they pulled up considerably, but at the close the Club were victors by an innings and 19 runs.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

FIRST INNINGS.

Major Johnson, b E. O. Smith 25
E. M. Blair, c Johnstone, b E. O. Smith 5
F. W. Maitland, c Spinks, b E. O. Smith 11
E. J. Coxon, l b w, b Johnstone 23
A. de C. Scanlan, not out 48
Major Miles, R.A., run out 1
T. S. Smith, c Johnstone, b E. O. Smith 34
T. E. Davies, c Hunchman, b Johnstone 18
C. S. Boff, run out 16
Dr. Sparrow, R.N., b Johnstone 0
Capt. Stanley, O.S.D. 2
Extras 22
Total 205

58TH REGIMENT.

FIRST INNINGS.		SECOND INNINGS.	
C. E. Higginbotham, c Major Johnstone, b Maitland	23	c Miles, b Maitland	7
Major Churchill, c Major Miles, b Maitland	12	c Boff, b Coxon	0
C. P. Pedler, b Maitland	0	c Blair, b Boff	30
F. H. Johnstone, c Boff, b Coxon	10	c Scanlan, b Coxon	0
Capt. Spinks, b Coxon	3	c Scanlan, b Coxon	2
G. A. Bramwell, c Major Johnstone, b Coxon	1	c Smith, b Coxon	1
J. Little, b Maitland	0	c Maitland, b Boff	0
Drummer Taylor, c Coxon, b Maitland	7	b Boff	3
C. H. Sillifant, c Scanlan, b Maitland	3	b Boff	18
E. O. Smith, run out	3	b Boff	0
H. de C. Huntsman, not out	3	not out	6
Extras	5	Extras	11
Total	70	Total	116

THE REPORT OF THE FEVER COMMISSION.

The long-deferred report of this Commission, which was appointed on the 17th December last, and comprised Deputy Inspector General Mortimer, R.N., Doctors Ayres, Yarr, Manson, Young, Cantlie, Jordan, and Atkinson, and Mr. A. G. Wise, secretary, has at length become public. From it we gather that the appointment of the Commission was the result of several petitions sent to H.E. the Governor in November, that they sat at intervals from the 28th December to the 20th February, and that the report was completed previous to the 13th August. Its immediate publication might have been of considerable benefit, as just about that date fever was epidemic in the colony, and the recommendations made might have proved very useful. The means taken to collect data was by sending out circulars asking for information, examining medical, scientific, and civil witnesses, inspecting various localities, &c., so that a good deal of work had to be done. The decisions arrived at were—that the diseases complained of were chiefly malarial, the fever being distinctly so; that it was apparently endemic in the Western district, although it might have been more prevalent at the time the petitioners complained; and that in a small percentage of the cases referred to in the evidence adduced the symptoms pointed to sewer-gas poisoning.

THE CAUSES OF FEVER.

The general conclusions as to the origin of the fevers bore out, in the main, the views of the petitioners. The question of [illegible] surface drainage [illegible] former system, as the original surface drains were found to have been used as sewers, thus fulfilling neither of their functions. Earth cuttings were also found to be a source of danger, residents in the neighborhood of excavations being found to suffer from a generally fatal form of remittent fever in some parts of the Colony, although in other parts, especially Kowloon, this was not the case. The absence of trees, plants, &c. (the recent afforestation being yet undeveloped) was also a minor cause, as was also the situation of houses in the Western district at the bases of the hills, where the rainfall accumulated and kept them damp. All these adverse conditions were found to exist in the Western district, where the paving, sewering, &c., was still incomplete. The main grievance of the petitioners—the fearful smells from the squatters' villages, the drying of sugar-bags, the use of offensive liquid manure on the flower-gardens, the storage of garbage near Bonham Road, the burning of refuse matter at Lap-sa-wan, and the fœtid gases emanating from the upper end of the unventilated sewers—were considered rather as nuisances and as likely to aggravate existing disease rather than originate it, which is an open question.

SEWER VENTILATION.

The last mentioned question—that of proper sewer-ventilation, is dealt with at length. The present systems of trapping, valving, and grating are all condemned as causing accumulations of gas. The main sewer in Centre-street was found to be so constructed that during the prevalence of the North-east Monsoon the foul air was driven out at the house-drains, poisoning the atmosphere right through the middle of the Colony. The water-trap system was very properly condemned. There are 114 such traps, in each of which, on the average, 36 buckets of fresh water have to be poured twice a week, and the old water taken out, between midnight and 5 a.m. Naturally such a labborious system was imperfectly carried out, and this became almost worse than useless. Worse still, lazy coolies have been even known to draw water from such places, and use it for household purposes! The network of drains around the older houses was found to be fearfully faulty, the bricks being porous and badly-laid, and the surrounding earth a mass of sodden filth. In many instances the gas could rise directly from the drains into the house, no traps or disconnection existing, this being the case in all coolie-quarters, where the sanitary arrangements were invariably shockingly defective. Even where traps existed they were generally found totally inadequate. Taken as a whole, the Commissioners regarded the want of proper sewer ventilation with much concern.

THE REMEDIES.

They therefore made the following recommendations:—That sub-soil drainage be adopted at once, using the present sewers to carry the water away. That the period of earth-cutting be regulated, by forbidding it between June and November below the level of the Pokfulum aqueduct, adding that any interested opposition to such regulation should be disregarded in the interests of the community at large. Only in non-malarial districts should this rule be relaxed. They also suggested that newly-turned soil should be covered with turf-mould, ashes, concrete, &c., to a depth of three inches. As an encouragement to cultivation, the Blue gum tree of Australia is especially recommended for general planting, on account of its absorbing properties. The water supply must be increased, instead of being intermittent as at present. The Tytam works should be pushed forward with all speed, in order to be ready for the dry season, which sets in November. No considerations of expense, they felt, should be allowed to stand in the way. The Pokfulam Reservoir was the object of some apprehension, standing as it does in a malarial district and there being undrained houses in its gathering ground. In addition, the building operations at the Peak disturbed the ground and this discolored the water, if it did not injuriously affect it. Therefore the Commissioners believed the Pokfulam supply was an undesirable one. The improvement of the sewers was felt to be within the province of the Health Ordinance, and was but slightly dealt with as was also the ventilation of house drains and opening of the sewers on to the Praya. Regarding this last matter, they urged that the Praya extension scheme should be settled one way or the other as quickly as possible and, when settled, hoped that the Sanitary Board would exercise particular care in deciding the problem which the alteration of the sewage outfall involved so as not to commit the colony to unnecessary expense. As to the coolie quarters attached to European houses, the Commissioners recommended that coolies should not be made to sleep on unventilated floors, that all quarters should be two storeys high, and provision made for 300 cubic feet of air per coolie, improved ventilation, and proper sanitary accommodation. On the last point the Commissioners felt strongly, and hoped that inducements would be offered for the discovery of improvements. The alternative systems of water-closets *versus* dry earth were compared, the latter being more favorably regarded. With respect to the nuisances the petitioners had complained of—the squatters at West Point, the manufacture of soy, the drying of sugar bags, &c., they recommended that accommodation for the squatters should be found elsewhere, that the soy industry should be the subject of instant legislation, and that the restrictions on sugar-bags drying should be more stringently applied.

THE DISPOSAL OF THE DEAD.

The report in respect to the disposal of dead bodies ran as follows :—

So involved is this question with custom and religion that the Commissioners can only suggest what is sanitary in contradistinction to what may at the same time be expedient. The present places of burial, for Europeans, Chinese and other residents, are gradually being encroached upon (some of the older graveyards are in fact already within the confines of the suburbs), and with the rapid spread of the city it seems likely that a serious sanitary question will in time arise. The effluvia complained of by some of the petitioners as arising from the Chinese cemetery on the Pokfulam road is ascribed to the method adopted by the Chinese of laying the coffin in the ground. When the grave is dug according to present regulations, the end of the coffin, that towards the hill, is deep enough to be sanitary, but the end nearer the surface is so sparsely covered, that the earth gets washed off by heavy rains, and the coffin in a good many instances is exposed. Hence no doubt arises the effluvia complained of and the remedy at once suggests itself, viz., that, when a hill side is chosen as a burial ground, not only the end of the grave next the hill be made sufficiently deep, but that the end of the coffin next the surface be amply covered.

THE ENCROACHMENT OF CHINESE HOUSES.

The concluding comments are the most valuable of all.

The steady increase of the city of Victoria in regard to numbers, is no doubt a commercial gain and a subject for gratulation, but from a sanitary point of view the increase in numbers, without a corresponding expansion of the area [illegible] European houses [illegible] Chinese houses are being [illegible] the population of the [illegible] The Commissioners

ing from over-crowding the equally serious question of surface crowding is likely to, and in the immediate future will, require to be dealt with. In the mean time it is calculated that in the town itself there are about 1,800 people to the acre, and at the present rate of building (within the limits of the town as it at present stands) over 2,000 people will, before 12 months, be dwelling upon every acre. In cities in Europe 1,000 people to an acre is all that is allowed, and the departure from that rule has been proved again to foster disease. Allowing for differences in habits and possibility of having dwelling houses practically open to the air during seven months in the year, the Commissioners cannot help believing that the surface crowding as it at present exists will seriously impair the health of all dwellers, but more especially the European dwellers, in the City of Victoria, Hongkong.

THE PLAGIARIST.

As the black sheep is to the ovine flock, the prodigal son to the carefully regulated family, the refractory soldier to the strictly disciplined army, or the mutinous sailor to the well appointed ship, so is the Plagiarist to the noble family of cultivators of Letters. As an excrescence and a morbid development, the plagiarising parasite sticks to and is inseparable from the literary profession. He lives on the life-blood of his models; builds a house over him from the bricks and mortar which he surreptitiously removes from the stately mansions into which he has no admission; adorns himself with borrowed plumes, and sallies forth into the world only to promote the miserably mean and Satanic work of cheating mankind. He is like a pedlar who sells patents which belong to somebody else; he infringes copyrights just as the burglar with crowbar and hammer enters the house of the rich and plunders it of its valuables. Precisely like the house-breaker, the plagiarist sells as his own the property he purloins, and it requires a great deal of perspicacity and discrimination on the part of the critics, who are the police of Literature, to detect and identify the stolen goods. There is, however, this difference between the burglar and the plagiarist, and it only reveals the slow progress which society has so far made: the burglar is no sooner discovered than he is secured and punished; the plagiarist, even when he has swallowed a whole copyright, can dodge his pursuers, and generally comes off unscathed from the ordeal of the law. Particularly so the petty plagiarist; this depredatory entity stalks along in his untiring career of literary plunder with entire impunity. He can copy, alter, deface, or corrupt other people's productions, to suit his own requirements and his own perverted instinct of vanity. Vanity is an indomitable feeling in the plagiarist's breast; the would-be author is generally destitute of the faintest spark of genius; very often he has not even had a liberal education; he may have read the literary productions of the leaders of men in the republic of letters; but the perusal of such standard works, instead of revealing the abysses of his own ignorance, has invariably tickled his jealousy, and excited in his distorted nature an inordinate appetite for plunder. Instead of working himself up to the high standard of literature which is placed before him, the plagiarist generally takes to the Satanic shift of assassinating his model and prostituting the remains to an unconscious world.

The plagiarist's main-spring, as we have said, is vanity, or self-conceit of the peacock kind. He is gifted with another characteristic, —the *cacoethes scribendi*. This is an inseparable predicate of his; he cannot shake himself free from it; it is his day-dream and perpetual *cauchemar*. His distorted imagination has led him to believe himself a writer; he is sure he will awake some fine morning and find Fame at his bedside. Unconscious of his intellectual emptiness and of the deficiency of his education, he knows nothing of the hardships which literary celebrities and even mediocre men have had to put up with before they dared to appear before the reading and discriminating world. Modesty, that inseparable companion of genius, is to him an unknown quantity. He feels as if he must write something or perish in the attempt, although he is both unprovided and unacquainted with the tools used by all the toilers of the desk. Write he must; but as he cannot think, as his cerebral repository of ideas refuses to turn out available material at his repeated summonses, he solves the difficulty by providing himself with a more effective kind of tools—a pair of scissors—and having turned his *cacoethes scribendi* into an *animus furandi* worked up to burglar-pitch, our friend the would-be writer freely enlists into the ranks of the plundering fraternity and although a rampant purloiner of other men's thoughts, ideas, and industry, and an objectionable excrescence on literature and learning, the plagiarist considers and calls himself a public writer. Such is the bondage of vanity!

PRETTY LEGS.

The black stocking, of which much has been said in ancient times, has, says a writer in the San Francisco *Chronicle*, an esoteric meaning. Black stockings as such, have little to recommend them to a person of æsthetic tastes or true culture, for, remove them from that which is their natural concomitant, expose them in a hosier's window or hang them on a clothes-line, and they are less than nothing, the empty fabric of a baseless dream. They owe their importance, not like so many other material objects, to their surround, and, like the oyster and the pearl, the contents are all that give the envelope a special value.

Lest we offend those supersensitive people who insist on speaking of the limbs of a table, and who are alleged to have draped the legs (or limbs) of their pianos, we enter a mild but firm protest against the belief that there is any more impropriety in speaking or writing of legs than there would be in speaking or writing of arms, or hands, or faces. History, it is true, records the fiction of the court of Spain that the Queen of that realm was not supposed to have any legs; but outside of that etiquette-ridden circle such a presumption is never indulged. We know from *contemporary records that the virgin* Queen of England had legs—and pretty ones—and that, on occasion, she made no secret of their symmetry; and inasmuch as Queen Elizabeth inflicted a crushing defeat on the power of Spain we, the descendants of an Anglo-Saxon race, are in duty bound to stand by good Queen Bess rather than by all the Queens of Spain, from the Isabella of the fifteenth century to the Isabella of the nineteenth.

The truth is that many very good people mistake prudery for modesty. They are so much more nice than wise that they are really shocked at many things which have nothing shocking in them. They are so bound up in and swaddled about by conventionalities that anything which interferes with their rigid notions of propriety seems not merely a fault or a peccadillo, but an actual sin. They keep a stock of blushes constantly on hand, ready to be produced at a moment's notice, and assume that readiness to blush is conclusive evidence of an innate modesty, when in fact it may be but a habit and not a good habit either.

But to return to our subject. We assert as a cardinal article of faith that there is intrinsically no more reason why pretty legs, masculine or feminine, should not be fashionable objects of admiration than there is why any other part of the "human form divine" should not be admired. Sculptors and painters, ancient and modern, have never thought it necessary to cut the human body in two at the waist in order to limit the raptures of the lovers of beauty to the upper part alone. They have recognized the artistic value of the lines of the lower limbs, and have immortalized themselves by reserving for later generations the men and women of their day in all their native majesty and beauty. It was reserved for a more degenerate age to hide the legs of their women beneath a mass of drapery which possesses no grace of outline or motion, and which, in many cases, does not even define the contour of the form beneath. This is, if nothing more, an outrage on art, and as such should be severely reprehended.

What is a pretty leg is a question which has been much agitated and discussed, chiefly, we are bound to say, by writers of the sterner sex. In legs, as in other things, fashions have varied. Tom Moore grew enthusiastic over

> Light, lovely limbs, to which the spirit's play
> Gave motion, airy as the dancing spray,
> When from its stem the light bird wings away.

On the continent of Africa, on the contrary, tastes run in a different direction, as travellers tell us of native beauties whose legs measured twenty-eight inches or more at the calf, with other dimensions in proportion. In these more modern times and more civilized countries the prevailing style does not tend to either extreme, as may be noticed in the summer time at Santa Cruz and Monterey, and all along shore, or on a rainy or windy day in the city of St. Francis of Assisi.

And this brings us to an unanswerable problem indissolubly connected with the subject of legs; that is, legs of the feminine gender. The problem is this. Why is it that a girl or woman will, willingly, and even gleefully, put on a bathing suit which terminates, except for a stocking, at the knee, and in that costume race and run in and out of the water or sun herself with all possible complacency on the beach, surrounded by "horrid men," when the very same day, if her house dress or street dress happens to blow aside so as to reveal a single inch of stocking she is covered with confusion as with a garment, and mentally accuses herself of immodesty, of impropriety, and of all the minor sins in the feminine calendar? It is the same young man, the same young woman, and the same legs; why, then, such a difference? Can it be, in reason, that the little space between the beach and the hotel has power to make that a sin which was no sin? to convert a modest, innocent girl into a brazen, shameless creature? to alter the relations between the sexes so that a man who sees for an instant on the street what he has seen at will on the beach, is a monster and a villain? If this be true, locality is a more potent force than philosophers have ever dreamed of, and the sins which have been laid to the charge of the devil, or any other all-pervading principle of evil, must now be shifted to the shoulders of the demon of locality. We must revise our code of morals and make the ethical quality of an action dependent not upon intent, but on the place where it occurs.

There is but one possible explanation of this apparent anomaly, and that is the power of the tyrant which rules the world—custom. It is obvious that should custom so decree, our women would abbreviate their flowing robes and curtail their sweeping skirts, even until the patella itself should be hinted at, if not shown, in which case the mystery which now surrounds the dainty ankle and the swelling calf would be as legitimate subject of comment as pretty faces now are. Whether such a custom will ever come into vogue it is not possible even to guess. Feminine habiliments have been subject to changes quite as startling; and as a writer of distinction—a man, of course, and a Frenchman at that—has asserted that every woman really believes in her inmost heart that she has pretty legs, it may be that in some future age of the world the sex will emancipate itself from its present thralldom and insist upon its inalienable right to make the most of its natural advantages; and that custom may insist just as strongly upon an exposure of the feminine leg as it now demands that it shall, except during the bathing season, be absolutely concealed from view.

THE HEALTHIEST PROFESSIONS.

Much has been written of late concerning the long lives of those who follow literary pursuits, and some interesting statistics as to the age of writers have seen the light. With the familiar instances of Goethe, Voltaire and a score or two more of past days, and with the more modern cases of the laureate, Mr. Browning and Mr Bailey, the author of "Festus"—long may they live—I am not inclined to concern myself. With a full sense of my own incompetency to deal scientifically with the subject, I wish, nevertheless, to place matters on a scientific basis.

All professions are healthy, as compared with trades. What men are longer lived than scientists, archæologists—there is no profession of archæology, but let that pass—lawyers, clergymen, physicians, actors? In some professions, notably the Bar, to which might be added the stage, the early training is said, in a serious banter, to kill off the weaklings. To some extent this is true of all profession. Men without self-control die, as a rule, young, whatever their occupations. In other cases, however, the conditions under which the classes named exist are the most favorable. The two things that most readily kill men who attain middle age are anxiety or loss of interest. The man who goes to bed not knowing whether a turn in the market may elevate him to wealth or stoop him in ruin, dies of softening of the brain. He who has made his fortune and retired, feels, unless he has cultivated a hobby, that he has no place in the world, and dies of inanition.

As a rule, the professional man of 50 has learned what he can do. If he is unfit for the line he took he has slipped out of it; if he is making a fortune it is a career full of interest and with little trouble or anxiety to him self. It is not his own case that the barrister pleads, the physician combats, and the parson arraigns. If, again, he is but moderately successful, his earnings, though small, are pretty safe. He gets as near an approximation to security as fate in a world such as this accords, and he may hope, barring exceptional circumstances, that the future will be as the past. His occupation meanwhile brings him consideration and intelligent surroundings, and his life is fairly and pleasantly varied. Once the philosopher-temperament is reached the combustion of life is very rapid.—*New York Mail and Express.*

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT BY

MESSRS. KOSCA, MEDINA, and VALENTIN FERNANDEZ.

THIS EVENING, the 27th October, 1888.

PART I.

1.—Pianoforte Solo, 'Symphony.' R. HERMANDEZ. Mr. KOSCA.
2.—Solo, "La mia Vandiera"...ROTOLLY. Mr. FERNANDEZ.
3.—Solo, "Musica Prohibita"...GASTALDON. Mr. FERNANDEZ.
4.—Solo, "B'Vorei Morire".....TOSTI. Mr. FERNANDEZ.

PART II.

5.—Waltz, "Sweet Lips".....E. KOSCA. Mr. KOSCA.
6.—Song (Treble), "El Capricho". FERNANDEZ. (Harp Accompaniment...Mr. FERNANDEZ).
7.—Duet (Treble and Baritone), "Recuerdo".....FERNANDEZ. (Harp Accompaniment...Mr. FERNANDEZ).
8.—Solo, "Tyrolesas"..... Mr. FERNANDEZ.

PART III.

9.—Waltz, "Del Molienero de Subisa"..... (Duet for Guitar and Harp). Messrs. MEDINA and FERNANDEZ.

CONCLUDING WITH SPANISH SONGS (With Guitar Accompaniment).

Tickets may be obtained of Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

PRICES OF ADMISSION :—
Dress Circle and Stalls$2.00
Back Seats..... 1.00
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform... 0.50

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 P.M.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1069

THE "GIBB" LINE.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at SINGAPORE, JAVA and PORT DARWIN, and taking through Cargo for QUEENSLAND PORTS, ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.

THE British Steamer

"GHAZEE,"

Captain Scotland, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

Attention is directed to this Steamer's comfortable Saloon and State Rooms, affording excellent Accommodation for First Class Passengers.

Fare to Sydney or Melbourne $150.

For Freight, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888 [985

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"AMOY,"

Captain R. Köhler, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1087

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE Company's Steamship

"PHRA CHOM KLAO,"

Captain J. Fowler will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1888. [1089

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF NEW YORK"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *vid* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 17th November, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows :—
To San Francisco.....$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months..... 350.00
To Liverpool..... 325.00
To London..... 330.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO,"

Captain McCaslin, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 30th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1068

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

THE USUAL SERVICES in the GERMAN CHAPEL (Berlin Foundling House) will be RECONTINUED, starting from TO-MORROW, at 10.30 O'CLOCK.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1090

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account of 1888, at the Rate of 6½ Dollars per SHARE in the Capital of the Company, will be payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK on and after the 5th Proximo, on Warrants to be obtained of the undersigned.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 1st proximo till MONDAY, the 5th proximo, both days inclusive, during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By Order JOHN WILLMOTT, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1093

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

"GENERAL WERDER,"

Captain W. von Schuckmann, will leave for the above Ports, on or about 3rd November, a.c.

For further particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [4

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN,"

Captain von Gössel, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival with the outward German Mail.

For further particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [4

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 25th day of November, 1888, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain von Gössel, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 24th of November, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENCY'S Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [4

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 5th day of November, 1888, at 4.30 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1093

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 5th day of November, 1888, at 4.30 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.			Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Upset Rent.
			NW.	S.	W.		
1	Inland Lot No. 1,206	Peak Road	339 feet.	306 feet.	126 feet.	32,000	$400

To-day's Advertisements.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A DIVIDEND of $2 per SHARE has this day been declared, being further interest on Capital to 31st December, 1887, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum (making the total interest on Capital for 1887, 14 %)

Warrants may be had on application at the above Office on and after MONDAY, the 29th instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1091

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NOTICE is hereby that a SUBMARINE MINEFIELD for experimental purposes will be LAID on the South side of STONE CUTTERS' ISLAND from the 29th instant.

The FIELD will extend between 2,000 to 3,000 yards in North and South direction from the centre of the Island, and in an East and West direction about 2,000 yards.

The Southern boundary will be marked by two red and white BUOYS with a BEACON on each, formed by a paraffin oil tin painted red and white, 3 feet above the buoy.

All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep to Southward of these boundary buoys.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [1091

Intimations.

"WITH PROFITS" POLICIES

IN THE

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

TAKEN OUT BEFORE 15TH NOVEMBER NEXT,

will rank for two years Bonus at the next

DIVISION OF PROFITS.

Proposal Forms and Tables of Rates on application.

THE BORNEO Co., Ld., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1888. [659

NOTICE.

THE "PEIHO TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY"

ARE still prepared to Lighter Ships or Steamers at the TAKU BAR, for Three Dollar Cents (3c.) per picul.

Owners or Agents of Steamers or Vessels are requested to notify the Undersigned by telegram or otherwise, the date of departure of their vessels, so as to enable him to do the work quickly.

Unnotified work at the Bar will be done at the current rates of Five Cents per Picul (5c.).

JAMES WATTS, Manager.

Messrs. WILSON & Co., Agents, Tientsin.

Taku, 13th October, 1888. [1066

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

13, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG

LIST of Subscribers to the TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

1.—"Hongkong Telegraph" Office.
2.—Manson, Dr. P., M.D.
Cantlie, Dr. J.
Hartigan, Dr. Wm.
3.—Manson, Dr. P., M.D., (Peak).
4.—Vernon, J. Y. V.
5.—Cantlie, Dr. J.
7.—Poesnecker, L.
8.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
9.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.
10.—Chater and Vernon.
11.—Judd, Walter, (Woodlands).
12.—"Daily Press."
13.—Russell & Co.
14.—E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., Ld. Great Northern Telegraph Co.
15.—Central Police Station.
16.—Watson, A. S., & Co., Ld.
17.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
18.—Butterfield and Swire.
19.—P. & O. Steam Navigation Co.
20.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.
21.—Cruickshank, Wm., Pedder's Street.
22.—"China Mail."
23.—Jordan, Dr. G. P.
24.—Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ld.
25.—Aberdeen Dock.
26.—Alice Memorial Hospital.
27.—Holliday, Wise & Co.
28.—McEwen, A. P.
29.—Peak Hotel.
30.—
31.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
32.—The Hongkong Hotel, Public Telephone.
33.—
34.—Victoria Dispensary.
35.—Cruickshank, Wm.
36.—Ah Yon & Co., 80, Praya Central.
37.—Just, H. Z.
38.—Linstead & Davis.
39.—Foster, F. T. P.
40.—The Borneo Co., Ld.
41.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
42.—Dodwell, F.
43.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Pedder's Street.
44.—Government House.
45.—Hughes & Ezra.
46.—Bellilios & Co.
47.—Bellilios, E. R., Caine Road.
48.— Do. Victoria Peak.
49.—Carlowitz & Co.
50.—The Imports and Exports Office.
51.—Morris & Ray.
52.—Layton, B.
53.—Judd, Walter.
54.—Webber, J. F.
55.—Dowson, H.
56.—Victoria Hotel, Public Telephone.
57.—
58.—Sankey, Captain A., R.A. and Pape, C.
59.—Soy Sing.

Subscription to Exchange $80 per Annum.

H. F. HAYLLAR, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1888. [850

Intimations.

CITY HALL.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in and SUBSCRIBERS to the above INSTITUTION will be held in the LIBRARY at FOUR O'CLOCK in the Afternoon, on MONDAY, the 29th day of October instant.

H. L. DENNYS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [1084

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY, the 1st November next, at 4 P.M.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1888. [1052

NOTICE.

THE MASONIC CLUB, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE dated 9th August, 1886, of the Shares Nos. 221/270 in this Club, standing in the name of Mr. J. S. WYLLIE has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Week from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming another Certificate will be issued by the Club and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

W. F. HATHERLY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [1065

Insurances.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

APITAL SUBSCRIBED.....$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, NO. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [150

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

APITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL TO $833,333.33
ESERVE FUND $240,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [858

To be Let.

TO LET, WITH POSSESSION ABOUT 1ST NOVEMBER.

A SINGLE ROOM, suitable for Bachelor, 3 minutes walk from Clock Tower. Rent moderate.

Apply to A. B., Office of this paper.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1888. [1083

TO LET.

NOS. 53, 55, 57, PEEL STREET, opposite UNION CHURCH.

Apply to EDWARD GEORGE.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1888. [1001

TO LET.

ROOMS in "COLLEGE CHAMBERS."

GODOWN in ICE HOUSE LANE, lately occupied by Messrs. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, from the 1st August.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1888. [12

NOW READY.

[PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.]

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" FOR 1888.

THIS Valuable Work, with many NEW ADDITIONS and IMPROVEMENTS, IS NOW READY.

PRICE THREE DOLLARS.

Orders for Copies of THE "HONGKONG DIRECTORY" may be sent to the following Agents :—

HONGKONG...Mr. W. Brewer.
" ...Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co.
" ...Messrs. Heuermann, Herbst & Co.
" ...Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited.
" ...Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.
" ...Messrs. MacEwen, Frickel & Co.
MACAO.....Messrs. A. A. de Mello & Co.
CANTON Mr. M. F. da Silva.
SWATOW Messrs. Quelch & Co.
AMOY and FORMOSA... } Mr. N. Moalle.
FOOCHOW ... Messrs. Hedge & Co.
SHANGHAI & NORTHERN PORTS } Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited, Shanghai.
JAPAN..... { Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited, Yokohama.
SAIGON Mons. Tissot.
BANGKOK ...Rev. S. J. Smith.
SINGAPORE...Messrs. Sayle & Co., Limited.
PARIS, and LONDON ... } Messrs. Amedée Prince & Co.

"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE, Pedder's Hill, Hongkong.

1st [illegible] 1888.

Intimations.

MACAO.

WANTED to purchase, in a good situation in Macao, Small FAMILY RESIDENCE commanding a sea-view. Price must be Moderate. Apply with full particulars, by letter only, to W. H., c/o *Hongkong Telegraph* Office.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1888. [954

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1887.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last in order that the distribution of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 30th day of November next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.
Hongkong, 15th October, 1888. [1045

PROSPECTUS.

SINGAPORE HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE "INDIAN COMPANIES' ACT, 1866."

CAPITAL: $750,000 (with power to increase), divided into 7,500 shares of $100 each, payable as follow:—

$20 ON APPLICATION. $20 ON ALLOTMENT, Futher Calls not exceeding $20 each, to be made at intervals of not less than three months.

(It is not expected that more than $55 per share will be called up before the end of 1889.)

If no allotment be made, the deposit will be returned in full.

Share Lists will CLOSE on 14th November, 1888.

DIRECTORS:
WILLIAM ADAMSON, ESQ., (Messrs. GILFILLAN WOOD & Co.)
ANDREW CURRIE, ESQ., (The BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED)
WILLIAM DOUGAL, ESQ., (Manager, CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.)
HON'BLE J. FINLAYSON, M.L.C. (Messrs. BOUSTEAD & Co.)
J. P. WADE GARDNER, ESQ., (Manager, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION).
HON. H. W. GEIGER, M.L.C., (Agent, PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.)
W. E. HOOPER, ESQ., (Messrs. A. L. JOHNSTON & Co.)
O. MUHRY, ESQ., (Messrs. BEHN, MEYER & Co.)
THOS. SCOTT, ESQ., (Messrs. GUTHRIE & Co.)
TH. SOHST, ESQ., (Messrs. PUTTFARCKEN & Co.)
C. STRINGER, ESQ., (Messrs. PATERSON, SIMONS & Co.)

BANKERS:
CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA;
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITORS:
MESSRS. DONALDSON & BURKINSHAW.

SECRETARY (pro. tem.)
JAMES KERR, ESQ.

HEAD OFFICE:
SINGAPORE.

THIS COMPANY has been formed for the purpose of supplying the want which has been felt for many years past, of a well-planned and well-fitted modern hotel of sufficient dimensions to accommodate the large and constantly growing passenger traffic through Singapore, as well as supply the great demand for temporary or permanent residential chambers.

Singapore is the chief town of the British Crown Colony of the Straits Settlements, and is a leading place of call and coaling port on the great steam lines of communication with the Far East. It is moreover the centre of an extensive trade with India, China, the Dutch Indies, the Philippines, Siam, and other countries.

The present hotel accommodation in Singapore is quite inadequate, and it is proposed to acquire the fine site now partly occupied by the HOTEL DE L'EUROPE, and build thereon a hotel of much larger dimensions, and greatly improved construction and arrangement. Fully detailed plans have been prepared and the engagement of a first-class Manager is already secured.

Prospectus and Forms of Application may be had at any of the Agencies of the Company's Bankers, the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION and the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, or Mr. D. MCCULLOCH.

A certain number of Shares will be reserved by the Directors for Allotment to Hongkong Applicants.

APPLICANTS FOR SHARES will have to pay 1 per cent. extra for the difference in Exchange between this Port and Singapore.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1888. [1025

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

The CARS RUN as follows between ST. JOHN'S PLACE and VICTORIA GAP:—
8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
12 to 2 P.M. „ half hour.
4 to 8 „ „ quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.

CHURCH TRAM at 10.40 A.M.
½ past 12 to ½ past one every quarter of an hour, and from 4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars: Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Offices of
MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
56 & 57, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1888. [539

Intimations.

FOUND.

A SMALL WATCH, CHAIN, and MEDALLIONS.
Apply to the
CENTRAL POLICE STATION.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1079

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

PROGRAMME OF THE SIXTH RIFLE MEETING,
TO BE HELD AT
KOWLOON,
ON
FRIDAY, the 9th. November,
and
SATURDAY, the 10th November, 1888.

AGGREGATE VALUE OF PRIZES.

Competitions open to All-comers.

1. ALL-COMERS.—1st Stage, distance 200 yards. 2nd Stage, distance 300 yards. No. of shots, seven at each. Entrance fee, 30 cents at each. Unlimited entries, but competitors not allowed to take more than one prize at each distance. 20 prizes, presented by the Association; aggregate value, $122.00.

2. ANY RIFLE.—Distance, 800 yards. No. of shots, ten. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

3. ASSOCIATION.—FOR ANY RIFLE.—Distance, 900 yards. No. of shots, ten. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

4. CADET'S PRIZE.—Presented.—Open to pupils of Hongkong Public schools under 16 years of age. Rifle, Rook Rifle under 40 Cal. Distance, about 150 yards. No. of Rounds, 7 and one sighting shoot. Four prizes.

Competitions open to Members.

5. PRESIDENT'S.—Distance, 300 yards. No. of shots, seven. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

6. QUEEN'S 1ST STAGE.—Distance, 200, 500 and 600 yards. No. of shots, seven at each. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

7. QUEEN'S 2ND STAGE.—Distance, 500 and 600 yards. No. of shots, ten at 500 yards, fifteen at 600 yards. Two prizes.

8. QUEEN'S 3RD STAGE.—Distance, 800 and 900 yards. No. of shots, ten at each. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

9. LADIES.'—Open to Lady Members or their nominees. Distance, 300 yards. No. of shots, seven. Entrance fee, none. Five prizes.

Aggregates open to All-comers.

10. VOLUNTEER AGGREGATE.—Restricted to efficient Volunteers whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

11. CIVIL SERVICE AGGREGATE.—Restricted to members of the Civil Service whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

12. POLICE AGGREGATE.—Restricted to the members of the Police Force whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregate. Entrance fee, $1.00. Four prizes.

13. ALL-COMERS' AGGREGATES.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Any Rifle' and 'Association' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

14. LONG RANGE AGGREGATE.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Any Rifle' and 'Association' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

Aggregate open to Members.

15. FAREWELL CUP.—Silver cup presented by the Civilian Members of the Hongkong Rifle Association. Open to the Officers of the 58th Regt., and to be won by the highest aggregate score made in the 1st Stage Queen's. Entrance fee, none.

16. NURSERY AGGREGATE.—Restricted to competitors who have never won a First or Second prize at any previous prize meeting in Hongkong and whose respective scores at 200 and 500 yards in the Queen's 1st Stage make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

17. HANDICAP AGGREGATE.—For competitors whose respective scores (with monthly challenge cup points added) at 200 and 500 yards in the Queen's First Stage make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

18. QUEEN'S AGGREGATES.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Queen's three stages' make up the highest aggregate. 1st Stage 200, 500 and 600 yards. 2nd Stages 500 and 600 yards. 3rd Stages 800 and 900 yards. 1st Prize, Silver Cup presented, value $100. 9 money prizes, value $100.

And in connection with the above, 3 EXTRA Money PRIZES for aggregates in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd stages.

Also, A MATCH RIFLE with 300 rounds of ammunition, presented, for the competitor whose scores in 'All-comers,' 'President's, and 'First' and 'Second Stages' make up the highest aggregate. Winner of Cup excluded from taking this prize. Entrance fee, $2.00.

SWEEP-STAKES at Running Man and Vanishing Target. Open to all-comers during the meeting. Any Rifle.

POOLS at 200, 500 yards and Saucer. Open to all comers, M.H. Rifle or Carbine.

Conditions &c.

1. To avoid delay, intending competitors are strongly advised to enter and obtain tickets for the various competitions before the date of the meeting. Application to be made to the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Club.

2. Post entries will be accepted on the ground.

Sights. Paper or sliding wind-gauges on above, are not allowed.

Persons wishing to join the H.R. Association should send their names, with that of proposer and seconder, to the Hon. Secretary not later than Thursday, noon, 8th November.

Entrance fee $5.00. Ladies $1.00.

The above programme is subject to alteration. Programmes will be issued in the course of two or three weeks.

A. SHELTON HOOPER.
Hon. Secretary,
HONGKONG CLUB.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1888. [1010

NOW READY.

PRICE FIFTY CENTS.

THE LAW OF STORM in the EASTERN SEAS, by W. DOBERCK, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

MAY BE PROCURED AT
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited, Hongkong,
„ Lane, Crawford & Co. „
„ G. Falconer & Co. „
„ C. J. Gaupp & Co. „
„ F. Blackhead & Co. „
„ Heuermann, Herbst & Co. „
„ Moore & Seimund „
„ MacEwen, Frickel & Co. „
Mr. W. Brewer, „
The "Hongkong Telegraph" Office „
Messrs. Quelch & Co., Swatow.
Mr. N. Moalle, Amoy.
Messrs. Hedge & Co., Foochow.
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited, Shanghai.
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited, Yokohama.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1888.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Taisang	Calcutta	October 27th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Deccan	Bombay	October 27th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Glenshiel	New York	October 28th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Deepdale	Antwerp	October 29th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Gaelic	San Francisco	October 30th	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Pembrokeshire	London	October 30th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Ravenna	London	October 30th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Bermida	Singapore	October 31st	Carlowitz & Co.
Sachsen	Bremen	November 1st	Melchers & Co.
Batavia	Vancouver	November 5th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Duke of Westminster	Vancouver	November 18th	Adamson, Bell & Co

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Surat	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Nov. 7th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Ningchow	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Oct. 29th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Telamon	Butterfield & Swire	October 31st.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Djemnah	Messageries Maritimes.	Oct. 31st, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call	Neckar	Melchers & Co.	Oct. 29th, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Sachsen	Melchers & Co.	Nov. 25th, at 10 a.m.
New York, via Suez Canal.	Spindrift	Russell & Co.	Oct. 30th, at noon.
San Francisco, via Yhama	City of New York	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Nov. 17th, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via Yhama	Gaelic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Nov. 7th, at 3 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K., &c.	Batavia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Nov. 15th, at 3 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice	Russell & Co.	About Nov. 2nd.
Sydney and Melbourne	Ghazee	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Oct. 29th, at 4 p.m.
Straits and Bombay	Deccan	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Nov. 2nd, at noon.
Sourabaya, via Saigon, &c.	Nerbudda	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Oct. 29th.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Yokohama, Kobe, &c.	General Werder	Melchers & Co.	About Nov. 3rd.
Kobe and Yokohama	Pembrokeshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	October 31st.
Kobe	Septima	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Oct. 29th, at 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Ravenna	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai	Amoy	Siemssen & Co.	Oct. 29th, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Choysang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Oct. 29th, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Deepdale	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About Oct. 31st.
Manila, via Amoy	Zafiro	Russell & Co.	Oct. 30th, at 4 p.m.
Haiphong	Frejr	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Oct. 31st, daylight.
Swatow and Bangkok	Phra Chom Klao	Yuen Fat Hong	Oct. 30th, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Fokien	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Coast Ports	Hailoong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Oct. 31st, daylight.

Intimations.

W. POWELL & CO.

EX S.S. "GLENORCHY."

NEW CARPETS and MATTINGS.
Floor Oil Cloths and Linoleums.
Coir Mats and Hearth Rugs.
Table Linen and Napkins.
Tea and Tiffin Cloths.
Novelties in Antimacassars.
Lace and Guipure Curtains.
Blankets and Quilts, &c., &c.
Parlour and Library Stoves.
Cooking Stoves.
Kitchen Utensils.
Library Hall and Table Lamps.
Lamp requisites.
Iron and Brass Bedsteads.
Spring Mattrasses.
A large assortment of Whatnot Ornaments, &c.

W. POWELL & Co.
Victoria Exchange, Hongkong, 27th October, 1888. [6

PIANOS FOR SALE. PIANOS ON HIRE.

A. HAHN,

PIANO TUNER AND REPAIRER.

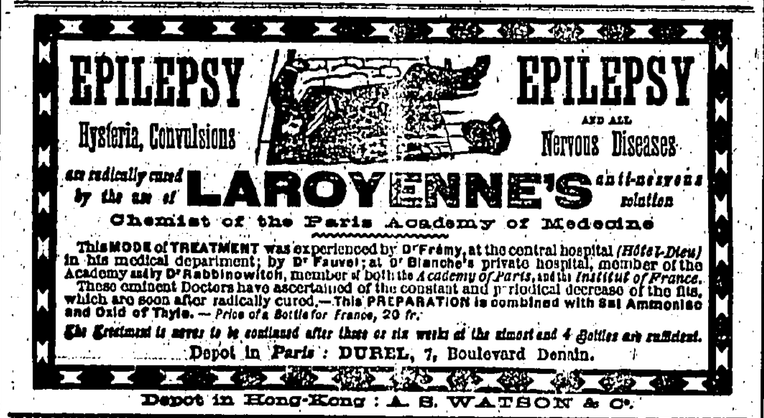
I HAVE JUST RECEIVED, EX S.S. "NIOBE," A NEW LOT OF

PIANOS,

In Black and Walnut, especially built at *my own design* including *all improvements*, so very much needed in *This Climate*. All my orders have been executed by my *Piano Agents* in *Berlin* to *my entire satisfaction*.

A short visit of inspection to my new premises will fully repay the trouble.

No. 22, ELGIN STREET.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1077



Depot in Hong-Kong: A. S. WATSON & Co.

G. FALCONER & CO.,

WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS and JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS,
No. 48, Queen's Road Central. [604

NOTICE.

JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says
"It is the best Disinfectant in use."
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1888. [976

FOR SALE.

AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

SACCONES' SHERRY, PORT, CLARETS.
BURGUNDY, HOCKS, CHAMPAGNES.
BRANDIES, WHISKIES.
"EMPIRE" ALE and STOUT.
MACHINERY, GAS ENGINES, "EMPIRE" LUBRICATORS.
SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.
COOKING STOVES, SCALES.
PAINTS, OILS and VARNISH.
BICYCLES and TRICYCLES.
JUVENILE VELOCIPEDE HORSES and TRICYCLES.
BICYCLE WHEELS for JINRICKSHAS.
SODA WATER MACHINERY.
JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS.
Apply to
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 29th September, 1888. 11

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.,

CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVERSMITHS, and OPTICIANS.
CHARTS and BOOKS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.
Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches; awarded the highest Prizes at every Exhibition; and for Voigtländer and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES, and SPYGLASSES.
No. 8, Queen's Road Central. [607

FOR SALE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

WATERBURY WATCHES,

the Handiest, Cheapest, and Best Time-keepers invented.
$3 PRICE THREE DOLLARS EACH $3
REPAIRS NEVER EXCEED 50 CENTS for each Watch.
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
(Sole Agents in Japan and China for the Sale of the above Watches,)
10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
Opposite Marine House.
Hongkong, 29th August, 1888. [813

TO THE DEAF.

A 132 paged Illustrated Book on Deafness, Noises in the Head, how cured at your homes. Send 6 Stamps. Address Dr. NICHOLSON, 5, Old Court House Street, Calcutta.
Calcutta, 26th September, 1888. [1044

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER Always on Hand.
L. MALLORY,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [636

A. G. GORDON & CO.

ENGINEERS, LAUNCH BUILDERS, GENERAL and GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

WORKS:
BOWRINGTON, EAST POINT.

OFFICE:
CORNER OF PEDDER STREET AND PRAYA.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1888. [41

FOR HIRE.

THE Fast Steam Launch "ELK" is always kept under steam off Pedder's Wharf and is at the service of the public for proceeding to and from Steamers, Picnic and Bathing Parties, etc.
For particulars, apply to
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ld.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1888. [801

For Sale.

APOLLINARIS WATER.

THE undersigned have been appointed by the APOLLINARIS COMPANY, LIMITED, Sole Agents for
APOLLINARIS WATER.
IN CHINA AND HONGKONG.
Price, per Case of 48 Quarts.....$8.00
Do. per 48 Pints.....$6.00
N.B.—An allowance is made of $2.66 per 100 Quarts, and $1.33 per 100 Pints, for Empty bottles when returned to our Godowns.
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.
2, Pedder Street,
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1073

FOR SALE.

GUSTAVE GIBERT'S CHAMPAGNE,
BLUE SEAL.
"FAVORI" DRY } $20 per 1 doz. qts
"FAVORI" EXTRA DRY } $21 „ 2 „ pts.

GERMAN BEER.

BRAUEREI "ZUR EICHE," KIEL
$7.25 per Case of 4 Dozen Quarts.
9.00 „ 8 „ Pints.
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & CO.,
Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1888. [1050

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of November next, the SHANGHAI BUTCHERY will be prepared to supply BRAWN, LARD in BLADDERS, FRESH and PICKLED ENGLISH PORK, SAUSAGES, &c.
ALSO,
BEEF in JOINTS and CORNED, BLACK PUDDINGS, PORK and GAME PIES.
S. R. GALE.
Shanghai, 21st September, 1888. [982

INTIMATION.

F. Blackhead & Co.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS,
AND
PROVISION MERCHANTS,
NAVY CONTRACTORS,
AND
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.
No. 11, Praya Central,
(Opposite Pedder's Wharf).

SOLE AGENTS for
RAHTJEN'S
GENUINE COMPOSITION
FOR
THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS
CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS
PRESERVATIVE AGAINST
ROTTING, DECAY, &c., of WOOD.
CHR. MOTZ & Co., BORDEAUX, CLARETS
IMPERIAL CHAMPAGNE,
LA GRANDE MARQUE.
FLENSBURG STOCKBEER,
ENGINEERS AND BLACKSMITHS' TOOLS AND EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.
ALL KINDS OF
COALS
SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1885. [85

NOW READY.

THE PRAYA RECLAMATION SCHEME.

A FULL ACCOUNT of the proceedings in connection with this gigantic undertaking, reprinted from the *Hongkong Telegraph*. With plan of the city of Victoria, showing the intended Reclamation.

PRICE ONE DOLLAR.

To be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD.; Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s; and Mr. W. BREWER'S.
Hongkong, 12th July, 1888.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
THE MIIKE COAL MINE.

BUNKER COALS can be supplied to any Steamer lying in the harbour or coming alongside the KOWLOON WHARF on application to the Undersigned.
Y. FUKUHARA,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1888. [105

NOTICE.

FOR the Convenience of Customers, the productions of the "CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED" can henceforward be obtained by RETAIL, FOR CASH, at No. 3, PEEL STREET, at the same prices as at the Refinery; or Retail orders will be delivered at addresses in town on applicants forwarding their monthly requirements in writing direct to the Refinery at East Point.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1885. [42

FOR SALE, CHEAP.

SEVERAL RELIABLE HACKS AND CARRIAGE PONIES.
ALSO,
A First-class London made DOG-CART AND
THREE BASKET CARRIAGES
all in good order.
For Particulars, Apply to
No. 6, PEDDER'S HILL.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1888.

For Sale.

IMPORTANT INTIMATION.

NOW READY.

(PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.)

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST,
A DIRECTORY AND WORK OF REFERENCE ON ALL IMPORTANT LOCAL SUBJECTS FOR CHINA, JAPAN, THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, NORTH BORNEO, THE PHILIPPINES, AND COREA, FOR THE YEAR 1888.

PRICE THREE DOLLARS.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY" has again been enlarged and is THE CHEAPEST, MOST COMPLETE, AND ONLY RELIABLE WORK OF THE KIND PUBLISHED IN THE FAR EAST.

THE above named work, published at the Office of "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," contains a Directory for the Ports in the large portion of Asia comprised between Penang, in the Straits Settlements, and the Northern Chinese Ports, including Wladiwostock, Formosa, the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, Cochin-China, the Philippine Islands, Corea, British North Borneo, the British Colony of Hongkong, and the Portuguese Colony of Macao. It also contains the Principal Treaties between European countries and the United States and the countries East of the Straits, including the New Treaties between FRANCE and CHINA, CHINA and GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE and ANNAM, RUSSIA and CHINA, BRAZIL and CHINA, and the KOREAN TREATY; together with conditions of Trade, and the Port, Customs, Consular, and Harbour Regulations for the Ports of China and Japan; also descriptions of the various Ports, with the latest Trade Statistics taken from the Reports of the Imperial Maritime Customs and other reliable sources.

The various Governments and Municipal Corporations, and all Public Bodies and Companies, Bankers, Merchants, Consuls, Professional and other Residents, have supplied the necessary matter, upon forms specially sent for that purpose so as to ensure accuracy. The Naval and Military portions have been taken from the latest published official lists and revised at Head-quarters; in fact, no pains have been spared to make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" a handy and perfectly reliable book of reference for all classes.

In addition to the information enumerated above "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1888 contains a carefully revised
INDEX TO THE ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG;
A SPECIAL LIST OF FOREIGNERS employed in Steamers making short voyages from Hongkong;
THE PRIVATE RESIDENCES of the Principal Government Officials, the Leading Merchants, the Foreign Consuls, Professional Men, Justices of the Peace, &c.
A LADIES DIRECTORY FOR HONGKONG AND,
A Mass of interesting information on various subjects, culled from the most trustworthy sources.

The WINNERS of all IMPORTANT RACES at HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW, and AMOY, with times, and other interesting particulars, carefully compiled from the most reliable sources, make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST," a *vade mecum* for all classes of sportsmen.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1888 is Printed on a superior quality of Paper, and is the best printed and most handsomely bound volume published East of the Suez Canal.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST," in order that it may circulate extensively outside this Colony, is published at a POPULAR PRICE, and can be ordered at This Office, or through any of our Agents at the various Ports, or

THREE DOLLARS.

There is not space in the compass of an Ordinary Advertisement to detail all the information introduced into the work, but it may be fairly asserted that no such Directory has ever been published, either in Hongkong or any other part of the East, at such a low price.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" offers Special Advantages as an Advertising Medium. It has an extensive circulation in all Ports between Singapore and Newchwang, in the Australasian Colonies, the United States, and the United Kingdom, and the scale of charges has been fixed at an exceptionally low rate. Terms can be learned on application.

Suggestions for the improvement of this work are respectfully solicited.

Orders for COPIES, and for ADVERTISEMENTS may be sent to the Agents at the various Ports, or to the Office of
"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH,"
Printers, Bible House, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1888.